

**Table 43. Primary reason for working in a career path job outside doctoral degree field
by recent doctoral recipients: 1997**

April 2002

Primary reason	All fields
Total recent doctoral recipients reporting career path job is not related to the doctoral field (number).....	1,300
	Percent
Pay or promotion opportunities.....	17
Working conditions.....	3
Job location.....	12
Change in career or professional interests.....	21
Family-related reasons.....	2
Job in doctoral field not available.....	39
Other.....	7

NOTES: 'Recent doctoral recipients' are those who reported having received their doctorate between June of 1990 and 1996.

Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1997.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, 1997 Survey of Doctorate Recipients